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Box PATENT APPLICATION
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Re: New U.S. Patent Appln.
Our Ref: 148/50801

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is a Continuation Application of pending PCT Application No. PCT/EP00/05824 filed on June 23, 2000 of:

Herbert RUPPRECHT et al.

entitled: **ACTIVE SUBSTANCE-CONTAINING MULTI-LAYER FILM OF HYDROPHILIC POLYMERS CROSSLINKED IN SITU**

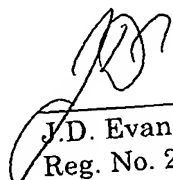
Enclosed are:

1. Specification, including 21 claims (22 pages).
2. Application Data Sheet.
3. Submission of Certified Priority document 199 32 603.7, filed in Federal Republic of Germany on July 13, 1999.
4. Benefit is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §120 of pending PCT Application No. PCT/EP00/05824 filed on June 23, 2000.
5. The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

Basic Fee							
Total Claims	<u>21</u>	-	20	=	<u>1</u>	x	\$370/740 = \$740.00
Independent Claims	<u>1</u>	-	3	=	<u>0</u>	x	\$9/18 = \$ 18.00
Multiple Dependent Claim Presented							\$42/84 = \$
Total Filing Fee							\$140/280 = \$ <u>\$758.00</u>

The filing fee is being deferred.

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